

LETTERS CARVED ON A STONE.

Correspondence Between Agrippa and Jesus Christ.

ALLEGED DISCOVERY MADE.

First Writing That Has Been Attributed To the Savior - A Learned Professor's Opinion About It.

Philadelphia, Pa., May 3.—Prof. Bohrmann, of Vienna university, is reported to have discovered in the ruins of the old gateway of Ephesus two letters carved on stone, one written by King Agrippa to Christ and his answer. These are said to be the letters referred to by Ensebians in the fourth century. The alleged letter from King Agrippa is as follows:

"I have heard of thee and the cures wrought by the without herbs or medicines, for it is reported that thou restorest sight to the blind and maketh the lame to walk, cleanse the leper, raise the dead, castest out devils and unclean spirits, and healeth those that are tormented of diseases of long continuance.

"Hearing of this of thee, I was fully persuaded that thou art the very God come down from heaven to do such miracles, or that thou art the son of God and performest them. Wherefore I have sent thee a few lines entreating thee to come hither and cure my diseases besides.

"Hearing that the Jews murmur against thee and continue to do thee mischief, I invite thee to my city, which is but a little one, but is beautiful and sufficient to entertain us both."

THE SAVIOR'S REPLY.

The reply of the Savior reads: "Blessed art thou for believing me, whom thou hast not seen, for it is written of me that they that have seen me shall not believe and they that have not seen me shall believe and be saved. But concerning the matter thou hast written about, this is to acquaint thee with all things for which I sent hither must be fulfilled, and then I shall be taken up and return to Him that sent me. But after my ascension I will send one of my disciples that shall cure thee of thy distemper and give life to all them that are with thee."

JASTROW'S OPINION.

"This is the first report that I have heard of the discovery of these letters," said Dr. J. Morris Jastrow, professor of Semitic languages and history of the orient. "The subject is intimately connected with my field of research, but I have made no investigation in this particular line. There are several items in the report which appear to be erroneous. Jesus spoke only the Hebrew and Aramaic languages. If he had ever written anything it would have been in either one of these two languages. But, as far as we know, he never wrote anything, at least up to the present alleged discovery, none of his writing have been found.

"The discovery of such an inscription would prove merely that the legend that such letters had been received and written by Christ had received so much credence and had become so firmly established as to warrant the carving of them over a heathen palace. It would not prove that Jesus had ever written a letter. Moreover, the report does not tell in what characters the Ephesus inscription is written, and it is impossible to say until we hear further details in that century the inscription was made. The original could not have been in Syro Chaldaic characters, for these characters were not developed till long after Christ's time."

BEDFELLOW DEPARTED

And Took Johnson's Watch - Canton Man Has a Law-suit In Alliance.

Special to News-Democrat.

Alliance, May 3.—George Johnson, of Tyrone, Pa., came to Sebring Tuesday to get employment. While in that village he became acquainted with a young man by the name of McClelland from Salineville, and they both came to Alliance to get work. Tuesday evening they secured boarding at the home of Sylvester Cowgill, on North Liberty avenue. At bedtime Johnson and McClelland retired together, having decided to occupy the same room. When McClelland woke up Wednesday morning he discovered that his room mate had left during the night and had stolen his gold watch which was a gift from his mother, and \$1.65 in currency. The thief also attempted to take a bicycle belonging to the Cowgill family but he found the chain had been detached so he fled without it. No clue as to the rascal's whereabouts has been gained. He was about 30 years of age and was probably a professional crook.

ELISHA RAKESTRAW DEAD.

Elisha Rakestraw, an old resident of Alliance, who was taken to the New-

burg asylum two years ago on account of failing mind, died at that place Tuesday at the age of 68 years. His remains were brought to Alliance on No. 338 Wednesday evening and interment was made today at 10 o'clock in the Alliance cemetery. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. James Masten, of this city, and Mrs. William Grinmyer, of Damascus.

CANTON MAN'S LAW SUIT.

A law suit in which George F. Knight was the plaintiff and G. B. Gehart and F. C. Green, of Atwater, were defendants was tried before Justice Simon Johnson, of Alliance, Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock. Some time ago the defendants told the plaintiff that if he would sell a certain second hand boiler they had in stock that he could have whatever he got above \$100, for his commission. So Knight sold the boiler to J. H. Sodder, of Onaburg, for \$235. But Gehart and Green offered Sodder the same property for \$200 which he accepted. Knight then sued for \$125 commission. The decision was reserved until this afternoon. Attorneys Harry Webber, of Canton, and D. E. Rogers, of Alliance, represented the plaintiff, and Attorney S. F. Hanselman, of Ravenna, the defendants.

SOLD LIQUOR TO MINOR.

Christ Kuntz, who was arrested Tuesday at Alliance for having sold liquor to a minor son of Mrs. William Reck, of this city, and pleaded not guilty, settled the case out of court Wednesday morning by paying a fine of \$50 and costs.

D. OF A. ANNIVERSARY.

The Daughters of America celebrated the third anniversary of their organization in this city Tuesday night by giving a grand banquet at their hall.

JOHN D. HART.

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY.

The Neighbors of C. W. Schory Of Robertsville Give Him A Pleasant Call.

On the morning of April 25, 1900, Mr. C. W. Schory, of Robertsville, O., went to his work as usual, supposing that he would do a faithful day's labor and celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of his birth in a quiet and peaceable manner, while at the same time he might with hard labor come nearer finishing his spring planting than on the day preceding.

All went well, and no sign of anything unusual was noticed and nothing revolutionary observed, when all at once, as the noon hour was approaching, a number of relatives and friends drove into the yard and the brother could only surmise what was going on from the hillside nearby. But evidently he did not expect a siege, for he came home quiet and calm of mind, and seemed to take the matter with unusual coolness. Of course there was nothing to be hot about.

Soon a pleasant repast was prepared and about ninety guests surrounded the long table. All enjoyed the meal. All ate and drank to the honor of Mr. Schory, if not in the old German style, then in the better new German-American style.

After the pleasant dinner the pastor, Rev. Zimmerman, spoke a few words and presented a chair in which the recipient is supposed to spend a part of the allotted next fifty years in ease, as a token of affection from his brothers and sisters. Then Rev. A. C. Renoll, the newly elected pastor of the Waynesburg charge, gave a pleasant little talk. The quartet from the Salems congregation furnished the music which was enjoyed by all. The pastor then offered a prayer, whereupon the social feature was resumed.

The day was pleasantly spent, though the brother did not do as much work as he had expected to do when he went to the field in the morning.

REMARKABLE CURES.

Are Being Made Daily Free of Charge By the British Physicians Who Are Located at Rooms 16 and 18 Wernet Block, For Services For Three Months Are Given Free to All Invalids Who Call Before May 15th.

A staff of eminent physicians and surgeons from the British Medical Institute at the urgent solicitation of a large number of patients under their care in this county, have established a permanent branch office in this city in the Wernet block, rooms 16 and 18. These eminent gentlemen have decided to give their services entirely free for three months (medicines excepted) to all invalids who call upon them for treatment between now and May 15th. These services consist not only of consultation, examination and advice, but also of all minor surgical operations.

The object in pursuing this course is to become rapidly and personally acquainted with the sick and afflicted, and, under no circumstances will any charge whatever be made for any services rendered for three months to all who call between now and May 15.

The doctors treat all forms of diseases and deformities and guarantee a cure in every case they undertake. At the first interview a thorough examination is made; and, if incurable, you are frankly and kindly told so, also advised against spending your money for useless treatment.

Male and female weaknesses, catarrh and catarrhal diseases, also rupture, softening, cancer and all diseases of the rectum are positively cured by their new treatment.

The chief consulting surgeon, assisted by one or more of his chief associates, is in personal charge.

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Fine dress kid gloves at very low prices at the New Globe Clothing House.

PRISON LABOR RECOMMENDATIONS

Made By the National Industrial Commission.

EMPLOYMENT OF CONVICTS

Should Be Restricted to the Manufacture Of Goods to Be Used In State, County And Municipal Institutions Says the Report.

Special to News-Democrat.

Massillon, May 3.—The Industrial Commission, of which Mr. M. D. Ratchford, of this city, is a member, today submitted its report on prison labor, to congress. The report, a copy of which was furnished the News-Democrat man by Mr. Ratchford, shows that the investigations of the commission extended into every state and territory of the Union. The conditions prevailing among the prisoners employed in the various penal, reformatory and eleemosynary institutions of the country, is shown in all details in the report, which is of local interest on account of the action of the Trades Assembly, taken in the prison labor question at divers times during the past year, and also because of the Stark county workhouse prisoners. The commission declares that the industrial of the convict labor problem can be regulated to the satisfaction of all sections of the country only by uniform legislation on the part of the states. In regard to the various schemes adopted by the states to lessen the competition of convict labor with free labor and industry the report says:

"These devices have been adopted without regard to conditions prevailing in other states, or in the hope of relieving acute conditions, rather than providing a permanent remedy for a evil that has always been a feature of our government, and that has developed and expanded with the increase in population and wealth of the country. That the competition with free labor exists and has been and can be made severe by the use of methods now in vogue, is clearly shown by the evidence presented herewith. This is a sufficient reason for a change in those methods and the adoption, so far as practicable, of a uniform system whereby the employment of convicts in one state can not act detrimentally on the industrial interests of that or any other state."

Figures showing the amount of goods manufactured by prison labor and coming into direct competition with free labor are given and show the vast amount of materials manufactured in the prisons of the country. The prisons of New York, alone, made goods in 1895 of the value of \$1,999,769.02. The system then in vogue has been abandoned, the convicts being now engaged, exclusively, in the manufacture of goods for the use of the state and its institutions. Under the Public Account system values of goods produced increased 100 per cent between the years 1885 and 1895. There were large decreases in the contract and lease systems while the piece price system showed a gain.

The report says: "After a careful consideration of the subject in all of its phases as presented in numerous reports, of the testimony and recommendations that have been submitted, of the present system of employing convicts, and the conditions that have culminated in the adoption of those systems, the commission feels warranted in arriving at the following conclusions:

"First: That provision should be made in the laws of each state for the employment of all prisoners in productive labor.

"Second: The state should have absolute control of the care, punishment, reformation and employment of the prisoners, as well as the disposition of the products of their industry.

"Third: The employment of prisoners in productive labor does, of necessity, result in competition of some

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character with free labor and industry.

"Fourth: The employment of prisoners with the intention of producing revenue, either for the state exclusively, or for private individuals or corporations and the state jointly, tends to the greatest competition with free labor.

"Fifth: That a system of employing prisoners for the purpose of producing revenue has a tendency to detract from the punishment, reformatory and disciplinary features of the prisons.

"Sixth: The employment of prisoners in the production of supplies for the maintenance of state, county and municipal institutions and the support of the inmates of the same, or in work on the public buildings or roads, tends to the least direct competition with free labor.

"Seventh: Of the various systems for employing convicts, those under which private individuals or corporations are interested have resulted in procuring the greatest revenue to the state.

"Eighth: No system of employing convicts, however wise in conception, and however carefully guarded, can be entirely free from the danger of abuses in management.

"Ninth: The most desirable system for employing convicts is one which provides, primarily, for the punishment and reformation of the prisoner and the least competition with free labor, and, secondarily, for the revenue of the state.

"Tenth: In order to harmonize the antagonistic interests of the different states it is essential that the industrial operations of all the penal, reformatory and eleemosynary institutions in each should be under the supervision of a central office."

The commission quotes liberally from the New York statutes as being in harmony with the foregoing conclusions. The commission is of the opinion that the nearest to a complete remedy for the evils of convict labor competition would be the interdiction of interstate commerce in all goods, minerals or materials, in whole or in part the product of convict labor, supplemented by state legislation along the lines indicated. The commission is of the opinion that it would be constitutional to have national legislation to protect the states from the competition of convict-made goods.

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SLACK WANTED.

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Judge M. L. Smyser, of Wooster, was in the city yesterday on business.

NAVARRE NUBS OF NEWS.

Items of Interest from Bethlehem Township's Leading Town.

Navarre, May 3. Mrs. Reeson Cail, of Canton, was circulating among Navarre friends last Friday.

The Snyder family, living in Emil Lonverses house on Main street, will move to Coshocton this week.

The young ladies of St. Clement's church will hold a dime social on Thursday evening, May 31, in the C. M. B. A. hall, for the benefit of the church.

The ladies of St. Clement's society will hold an ice cream festival on Memorial day, for the benefit of purchasing a new carpet for the church.

The Young Ladies' Reading club raised \$7 for the benefit of the India famine sufferers.

The parochial schools will close May 11, and the public schools May 25th and commencement will be held the same night.

About 25 boys and girls will make their first communion in St. Clement's church in two weeks.

Mr. Kessler and family will leave on Thursday to spend a few weeks at Fremont, with Mrs. Kessler's parents.

NEW FRANKLIN NOTES.

A Breezy Batch of Items Written By a Correspondent With a Good Nose For News.

New Franklin, May 3. John W. Fearn is very ill with a severe pain in his head.

Frank Unkefer and wife were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Early on Sunday.

Benton Smith, of Alliance, visited Lewis Hartzell on Sunday.

Miss Ada Bowers spent Sunday with Theo. Sheekels.

Miss Marie Unkefer was shopping in Alliance on Thursday.

Hiram and Zack Doll, of Canton, were looking over their farm last week.

Isaac Smith and wife spent Sunday with their son Will.

Mr. Strohn, of Canton, has been working on his farm the past week.

Miss Harriet Metz and Mrs. Johnson Hawkins were shopping in Alliance, on Monday.

Ike Miller has accepted a position in Alliance.

John Unkefer will resume work on the railroad soon.

Mrs. Susan Banker spent a couple of days last week at Isaac Smith's.

Mr. Muffley, the land appraiser, was doing business in the neighborhood last week. The farmers are making all preparation to plant corn soon.

The Only Circus.

In accordance with the arrangements of League of American Showmen, the only big circus that will visit this section of the state this season is the Great Wallace shows, which will be in Canton Saturday, May 12th.

Referring to this show, the Daily Telegram, of Ashland, Pa., says:

The best circus that ever visited Ashland. That was the general verdict of the people who attended the Wallace show yesterday afternoon and evening, and it was an opinion that was deserved.

Many of the principal features were entirely new, and the trapeze work and the performance of the Nelson family, and scores of other high class people were first-class in every particular. The hippodrome and racing events were close and exciting and were watched with breathless interest, and some of the finishes brought the audience cheering to their feet.

Phonographs, Graphophones, and Supplies.

LOUIS VITAK,

210 NORTH MARKET ST., CANTON, O.



My little girl's hair did not grow. It was harsh and dry, and would break off, and her scalp was full of dry dandruff that I could not comb out. A place around the back of her head was bald, and on the top of her head the hair was only two or three inches long. I used CUTICURA SOAP and some CUTICURA Ointment, and her hair has come in thick and as soft as silk. Mrs. A. DOWNEY, Alfred O. Warm shampoos with CUTICURA SOAP and light dressings with CUTICURA, prevent of emollients, will clear the scalp and hair of crusts, scales, and dandruff, soothe irritated and itching surfaces.



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F	688	1,031	1,099	2,020	1,759	1,641	3,361
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H	867	1,553	1,024	2,097	2,036	1,665	2,093
I	222	371	525	671	680	568	804
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K	379	724	261	865	895	619	1,030
L	655	1,602	938	2,153	2,139	1,320	1,446
M	1,004	2,231	1,256	3,200	3,088	2,294	4,071
N	433	726	681	1,665	1,001	604	1,312
O	284	563	481	808	794	791	1,010
P	917	1,891	2,226	2,334	2,839	2,575	4,079
Q	50	78	813	122	162	160	271
R	487	914	816	1,413	1,400	1,333	1,510
S	1,167	2,102	2,028	3,571	3,290	1,131	5,070
T	560	1,079	1,230	1,935	1,565	1,651	2,012
U	73	138	144	221	229	214	312
V	249	604	532	645	628	602	814
W	333	990	796	1,670	1,249	1,012	3,014
X	49	131	76	25	23	32	48
Y	27	142	142	271	142	137	216
Z	64	116	106	190	148	143	248
Total	15,351	29,840	25,820	42,053	42,225	36,727	66,057
No. Illustrations	7,495	4,019	3,850	2,240	525	3,028	5,034
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